cuted and managed by the States from State funds. However, under Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) Minor Irrigation projects are being taken up by individual farmers and subsidy can be provided under IRDP as per norms. IRDP is being implemented through out the country including the State of Bihar and minor irrigation projects can be selected under IRDP depending upon local conditions. For popularising drip irrigation under horticulture crops, assistance of Rs. 30 lakhs has been provided for 1992-93.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. An agreement was entered into with the World Bank in 1987 for Credit Assistance of SDR 59.5 million for Bihar Public Tubewells Project. Against this credit, an amount of Dollar 14.225 million has been utilised upto June '92. Out of the original credit of SDR 50.5 million, SDR 40 million has been cancelled as a part of portfolio nationalisation leaving a balance of SDR 19.5 million.

Approval to irrgiation projects in the States

3496. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what procedure is followed by Government in approving major/medium irrigation projects submitted by various States;

(b) the major/medium irrigation projects submitted by the Bihar Government to the Central for its approval during the last three years with details thereof;

(c) the irrigation projects in each category which have so far been approved by the Central Government and what is the latest stage of each project which remain unapproved; and

(d) by when Government propose to clear the pending major/medium irrigation projects of Bihar?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI V. C. SHUKLA): (a) The major and medium irrigation proposals received from the State Governments in the Central Water Commission are examined for their techno-economic feasibility. Simultaneously, the State Governments are to obtain clearance from environmental and forest angles from the Ministry of Environment and Forests and also for Resettlement and Rehabilitation Plans (R.R. Plans) from the Ministry of Welfare if tribal population is involved in the submergence. After establishing techno-economic viability the projects are put up to the Advisory Committee on irri-gation, Flood Control and Multipurpose Projects for consideration. Based on its recommendations and provision of sufficient funds in the plans by the States, investment clearance is accorded by the Planning Commission.

(b) to (d) A Statement is enclosed. (*See* below).

Statement

Irrigation projects received from the Govt. of Bihar during last three year

Name of Project	Date of receipt	Benefits in th. Ha.	Estimated costs in Lakhs
1	2	3	4
1. *Major Irrigation/Multipurpose*			
A. *Projects found acceptable by the advisory Committee subject to observations*			
1. Subarnarekha Multipurpose Project	7/89	245·00	48090·09
2. Punasi Reservoir Project	10/89	24·29	2609·00

1	2	3	4
B. *Projects put to Advisory Committee but consideration deferred*			
——NIL——			
C. *Project under correspondence with the State Government*			
1. Sukhsenaghat Pump Canal	11/89	23·19	2061·00
2. Kosi Projcet Phase-II	12/90	73·00	8164·40
3. Gandak Project Phase-II	12/90	..	7802·85
4. Zamania Pump Canal	11/90	30·06	9487·40
5. Burhai Reservoir Scheme	12/90	35·00	11249·60
D. *Projects sent back to State Govt.*			
1. Dhaka Canal Modernisation	10/90	33·53	3722·67
II. *Medium Irrigation Projects*			
A. *Projects found acceptable by the Advisory Committee subject to observations*			
——NIL——			
B. *Projects put up to Advisory Committee but consideration deferred*			
——NIL——			
C. *Projects under correspondence with the State Govt.*			
——NIL——			
D *Projects sent back to State Govt.*			
1. Bishanpur	8/89	4·72	1562·14
2. Irga	8/89	2·85	988·00
3. Bamninala	10/89	3·34	1389·00
4. Tejna	9/89	5·67	2155,39
5. Baranala	9/89	13·10	3172·73
6. Raru	12/89	11·33	5846·84
7. Amanat	3/90	10.00	5340·00
8. Barari Pump Canal	12/90	9·37	998·71

NOTE : Clearance of the projects depends on the promptness with which the State Government satisfactorily complies with the Advisory Committee on irrigacies|Advisory Committee including obtaining clearances from the Ministry of Environment and Forests from the environment and forest angles and from the Ministry of Welfare for Resettlement and Rehabilitation Plans for tribal population where required.